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SUBJECT: NARCOTICS - POPPY PRODUCTION IN HELMAND VALLEY

REF: KABUL 2121

1. GREATLY APPRECIATE REFTEL REPORT ON GOA'S PROFESSED EFFORT TO PREVENT OPIUM CULTIVATION IN HELMAND AREA. ALTHOUGH WE CANNOT KNOW HOW SUCCESSFUL IMPLEMENTATION THIS AFGHAN EFFORT WILL BE, WE BELIEVE GOA DECISION REFLECTS FAVORABLY ON MISSION'S EFFORTS OF PAST SIX-EIGHT MONTHS AND ATTESTS TO VALUE OF QUIET DIPLOMACY.

2. INTEREST IN SUBJECT HERE CONTINUES. DESK OFFICER REPLIED TO RECENT GAO QUERY (PRIOR RECEIPT REFTEL) THAT MISSION OFFICIALS IN KABUL, INCLUDING AMBASSADOR, HAD RAISED SUBJECT ON NUMEROUS OCCASIONS DURING PAST SEVERAL

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MONTHS AND THAT WE HOPED THESE REPRESENTATIONS WOULD HAVE SOME EFFECT ON ILLICIT PRODUCTION OF OPIUM IN HAMMOND. OUTSIDE U.S. PROJECT AREA AND REMINDED GAO THAT CURRENT USAID PROJECT IN HELMAND WILL END JUNE 30.

3. DEPARTMENT WILL BE INTERESTED IN FURTHER MISSION REPORTING THIS SUBJECT, ESPECIALLY ASSESSMENT OF EFFECTIVENESS GOA EFFORTS AS EVIDENCE BECOMES AVAILABLE DURING UPCOMING BLOOMING SEASON. KISSINGER

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